

**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

MAIL STOP RCE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	10/798,346
Confirmation Number	5598
Filing Date	March 12, 2004
First Named Inventor	Kozo NOGI
Group Art Unit	1711
Examiner Name	Irina Sopha ZEMEL
Matter Number	Q80405
Title	SURFACE CROSSLINKING TREATMENT METHOD OF WATER-ABSORBING RESIN POWDER

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
previously filed on 4/26/07
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☐ Other _____

2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a
period of _____ months
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. FEES

Authorization to charge the RCE statutory fee of \$790.00 and the extension fee of \$330.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 is provided via EFS filing. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

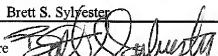
Direct all correspondence to the address for SUGHRUE MION, PLLC filed under the Customer Number listed below:

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CUSTOMER NUMBER

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY

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Signature		Date	<u>June 4, 2007</u>